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SUBJECT: Values To Enter Into The WIN System When Data Is Not Available

This memo is intended to provide guidelines on what values to enter into the Texas WIN system when actual data is not available. Refer to the following table to determine the value to use for each unknown measurement by WIC category.

Values to enter into the WIN System when data is not available						
Measurement	Value for Unknown	Category				
		I	C	P	BF	N
Height/Length	99 in., 0/8	X	X	X	X	X
Weight	999 lbs., 0 oz.	X	X	X	X	X
Birth Weight	0 lbs., 1 oz.	X				
Prepregnancy Weight	999 lbs., 0 oz.			X	X	X
Pregnancy Weight Gain	999 lbs., 0 oz.				X	X
Weeks Gestation	99				X	X
Hct	99	X	X	X	X	X
Hgb	99.9	X	X	X	X	X

Information regarding the use of unknown values in the WIN system is also provided in the Guidelines for Nutrition Assessment, rev. 6/2003, and in the Instructions for Completing WIC Certification Forms, rev. 1/2003. The Instructions and Guidelines are included in the Clinic Assessment Manual, which were shipped to the clinics during the last week of July. Expect delivery in one to two weeks.

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